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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

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My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR BENEFICIATING GASIFICATION SLAG,

the specification of which

- is attached hereto
OR
 was filed on September 8, 2003, as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number 10/657,730 and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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